

**DIVISION OF HEALTH SERVICES REGULATION
RHODE ISLAND BOARD OF EXAMINERS IN DENTISTRY**

**3 CAPITOL HILL
CONFERENCE ROOM # 401
PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND**

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2015
8:00AM**

OPEN SESSION MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Carleton Cappuccino, DMD, Chairman

Donald Williams, Secretary

Russell Chin, DDS

Caroline Danish, DDS

Jeffrey Dodge, DMD

Martin Elson, DDS

Kerri Friel, RDH, COA, CDA, MA

Martin Nager, DMD

Susan Perlini, RDH, BS

Robert Ricci, Ph.D

Maryellen Simas, RDH

BOARD MEMBERS IN NOT IN ATTENDANCE

Stephen Puerini, DMD, Vice Chairman

Eric George, DMD

Louis Marciano, BS, M.Ed

STAFF MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE

Amy Coleman, JD

Robert O'Donnell, MS

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

James Balukjian, DDS - Delta Dental RI

Robert Bartro - RIDA

Marie Jones - Bridges - RIDHA

Thomas Chase, Delta Dental RI

Christy Durant - RIOMS

Rebecca Kislak, JD - RIHCA

Patrick Quinlan, JD – RIDA

1. Establishment of a Quorum

A meeting of the Rhode Island Board of Examiners in Dentistry was held on Wednesday, March 4, 2015 at the Rhode Island Department of Health, Conference Room # 401, 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908. A quorum was established and the Open Session meeting was called to order at 8:00AM on a motion by Martin Nager, DMD, and seconded by Russell Chin, DDS. The Board voted unanimously to open. Motion carried.

2. Public Comment

Marie Jones - Bridges (RIDHA) had spoke about the legislation that the Rhode Island Dental Hygienists Association which have introduce to legislation in regards to Public Health Dental Hygienist during the 2015 legislative year (2015-H 5682 and 2015- S 0232 in reference to RIGL 5-39-39).

3. Presentation of the February 4, 2014 Open Session Meeting Minutes

Motion was made by Martin Nager, DMD, and seconded by Jeffrey Dodge, DMD,

to accept the Open Session minutes for the Rhode Island Board of Examiners in Dentistry, Dentistry Examining Committee and Dental Hygienist Examining Committee for February 4, 2015. The Board voted unanimously to approve the Open Session minutes as presented. Motion carried.

4. Chairperson's Report

- Communications**

Chairman Carleton Cappuccino, DMD, discussed that the next meeting will be held on April 8, 2015, instead of April 1, 2015, as many members of the Board will be attending training on April 1, 2015, and would not be able to attend the Board meeting and we would not have enough members to make a quorum.

5. Old Business

- Moderate Sedation, Deep Sedation/General Anesthesia Office Evaluation Forms - Martin Elson, DDS, had updated Board on moving forward on evaluations forms he is working on as well as American Dental Associations vs. Department of Health definitions on**

sedations for Nitrous Oxide, Minimum, Moderate and Deep/General Sedation. Discussion was also on State Regulations vs. State Statutes, as what may have to be changed to meet requirements in sedation by the doctor, staff and facility. Other topic of discussion was the amount of training that is required, continuing education credits, DAANCE requirements and the use of the Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP).

- Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Dentist, Dental Hygienists and Dental Assistants - Donald Williams discussed proposed new Rules and Regulations and advised that he believes that they should go to Community Review as the next step in the process. Several members requested a few minor changes to the draft.**

Motion was made by Maryellen Simas, RDH, and seconded by Susan Perlini, RDH, BS, that on page 45 of Appendix A Section 6A, add the wording after RI Mission of Mercy activities, “and Dental Lifeline Network.” And that Community Service time will count as Continuing Education and that each hour performed will count as one hour of Continuing Education Credit. The Board voted unanimously to approve. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Kerri Friel, RDH, COA, CDA, MA, and seconded by Robert Ricci, Ph.D, to that on Page 20, Section 17.1.2 (b) add the word “Polishing” after the words fissure sealants. The Board voted unanimously to approve. Motion carried.

Motion made by Maryellen Simas, RDH, and seconded by Caroline Danish, DDS, that on Page 29 Section 25.1.3 (d) add the wording of

(i) Follow instructions to prepare and assist in the administration of medications;

(ii) Adjust the rate of intravenous fluids infusion beyond a keep-open rate;

(iii) Adjust an electronic device to provide medications, such as an infusion pump; and (iv) Assist with preparation/delivery/infusion/administration of emergency medications to a patient in order to assist the oral and maxillofacial surgeon in an emergency. In section (f) take out the word “member” and replace with “DAANCE Certified.” The Board voted unanimously to approve. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Don Williams and seconded by Kerri Friel, RDH, COA, CDA, MA, to approve the new Rules and Regulation with above corrections and send to the Department of Regulations Community and Community Review. The Board voted unanimously to approve. Motion carried.

6. New Business

- **Review and Approval of Applicants for:**

Carleton Cappuccino, DMD, announced to all Board Members present that the Examining Committee for applicants applying for licensure as a Dentist, Dental Anesthesia Permits, and Dental Anesthesia Facility Permits had met on this date at 7:45AM and reviewed the applicants and recommend they be approved for licensure in:

Dentist Licensure:

- **Charles M. Carpenter, Sr.**
- **Marianne Urbanski**

Dental Anesthesia Permits:

- **No Applicants**

Dental Anesthesia Facility Permits:

- **A committee has been formed to do inspections and have begun to work on the requirements to what is needed at each level of Minimum Sedation, Moderate Sedation and Deep/General Sedation in facilities. The Rhode Island Department of Health does not have an Inspector at**

this time to do an inspection which is required for a licensure/ permit.

Motion was made by Martin Nager, DMD, and seconded by Jeffrey Dodge, DMD,

to approve the list of applicants for Dentist Licensure. Board voted unanimously to approve. Motion carried.

Maryellen Simas, RDH, announced to all Board members present that the Examining Committee for applicants applying for licensure as Dental Hygienists Licensure and Dental Hygienists Local Anesthesia Permits had met on this date at 7:45AM and reviewed the applicants and recommend they be approved for licensure in:

Dental Hygienists Licensure:

- **No Applicants**

Dental Hygienists Local Anesthesia Permits

- **Melissa Makowski**

Motion was made by Martin Nager, DMD, and seconded by Donald Williams to approve the list of applicant for Dental Hygienists Local Anesthesia Licensure. Board voted unanimously to approve. Motion carried.

- **Supreme Court of United States case – North Carolina State Board of Dental Examiners vs. Federal Trade Commission. Amy Coleman, JD, discussed case.**

7. Adjourn to Closed Session

Motion was made by Martin Nager, DMD, and seconded by Caroline Danish, DDS, to adjourn to Closed Session at 9:45AM. Pursuant to Sections 42-46-4 and 42-46-5(a)(4) of the Rhode Island General Laws, for investigatory proceedings regarding allegations of civil or criminal misconduct.

8. Return to Open Session

Motion was made by Susan Perlini, RDH, BS, and seconded by Russell Chin, DDS, at 11:45AM to re-open the Open Session and to seal the Minutes of the Closed Session pursuant to Sections 42-46-4, 42-46-5 and 42-46-7 of the Rhode Island General Laws. Board voted unanimously to approve. Motion carried.

9. Final Actions on all votes taken in Closed Session

Two (2) cases were found to have No Unprofessional Conduct; Three

**(3) Cases No Unprofessional Conduct with a Letter of Concern; and
One (1) Ratified Consent Order.**

10. Adjournment

The next Rhode Island Board of Examiners in Dentistry meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 8, 2015, 8:00AM at the Rhode Island Department of Health, Beck Conference Room, 3 Capitol Hill, Providence, RI 02908. Motion was made by Martin Nager, DMD, and seconded by Martin Elson, DDS, to adjourn at 12:00PM. Board voted unanimously to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert E. O'Donnell, Jr.

Board Manager

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